

# Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission 2003

## The Year in Review

# Delaware Department of Agriculture

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Governor Ruth Ann Minner

Secretary Michael Scuse

Deputy Secretary, H. Davis Shockley

Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission



## **Our Mission**

To protect, service and regulate the Thoroughbred Racing Industry and uphold its honesty and integrity in a competent and impartial manner.

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## **Background**

The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission regulates and oversees the sport of Thoroughbred and Arabian racing in the state. Its primary objective is to do this in regard to the protection of the betting public. The Commission is also responsible for assuring that the

State and the betting public receive their fair percentages of the wagering dollar by overseeing periodic accounting audits. In addition, the Commission monitors the conduct of the entire racing industry and may from time to time, hold hearings to thoroughly investigate any perceived wrongdoings.

The primary goal of the Commission is to eliminate fraudulent activity that would undermine the public trust and bring violators of racing commission rules, regulations and the Delaware Code to justice.

The key objective of the Commission is to maintain hands-on supervision of all investigative cases involving evidence of race fixing, horse substitution, illegal medication, bookmaking, touting, sale, use and possession of CDS, economic crimes and others. Expose wrongdoers and all things prejudicial to the interest and the sport of horse racing.



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Bernard J. Daney, Chairman

W. Duncan Patterson, Secretary – Commissioner

H. James Decker, Commissioner

Edward J. Stegemeier, Commissioner

Carolyn Wilson, Commissioner

Michael McTaggart, Legal Counsel

John F. Wayne, Administrator of Racing

# Handle – Delaware Park 2003

Live Handle	\$19,671,990.00
Export of Live Signal	\$252,378,766.00
Import Simulcasting	\$78,743,432.00
Total Handle	\$350,794,188.00

# 2003 Breakdown of Purse Money - Thoroughbred

Overnights	\$27,351,500.00
Overnight stakes (less nomination, Starter and Entry Fees)	\$1,045,000.00
Stakes Races (less nomination, Starter and Entry Fees)	\$3,752,663.00
"No Horse" (no 5 <sup>th</sup> Place horse)	(\$69,883.00)
DTHA 2%	\$641,586.00
DCTP — Certified Owners (Paid by Delaware Park as incurred)	\$13,505.00
DCTP — Certifiers (To be paid at the end of the meeting)	\$13,505.00
DTHA — NTRA dues for 2003	\$132,041.00
<b>Sub-Total</b>	<b>\$32,879,917.00</b>



## 2003 Breakdown of Purse Money – Arabians

Overnights	\$1,109,300.00
Stakes Races	\$837,010.00
Delaware Jockey Trust Fund	\$25,000.00
EARA - Advertising	\$25,000.00
Sub-Total	\$1,996,310.00

# 2003 Total Purses at Delaware Park

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Thoroughbred & Arabian Purse money distributed	\$34,876,227.00
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# Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission Licensing Activities 2003

Licensing Fees	\$238,375.00
Fines Collected	\$13,600.00
Total Monies Collected	\$251,975.00

# Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission Licensing Statistics 2003

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Number of Licenses  
Issued to Participants  
in Harness Racing

**5,148**

# Delaware Stabled Horses vs. Ship Ins

At Delaware Park during 2003

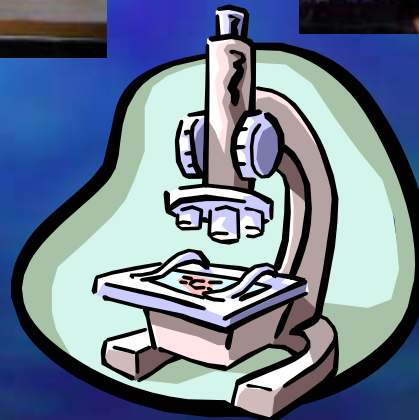
Delaware Park stabled horses during 2003	73%
Horses Shipping in from other race tracks/states	27%



# Thoroughbred Action at Delaware Park



# Forensic Drug Testing at Delaware Park





# Delaware Park Stable Area Improvements







# Delaware Handicap Day, Paddock Personalities

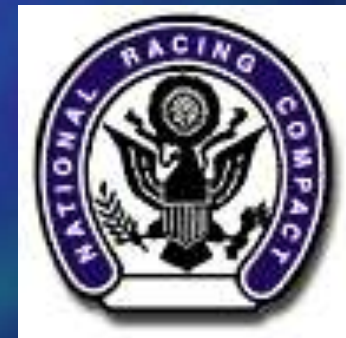


The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission is a proud member of the Association of Racing Commissioners International (ARCI)





- The Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission is also a member of the National Racing Compact.
- The “National License” was developed to streamline the licensing and fingerprinting process. It is known as racing’s “E-Z Pass.”





# Joint Commission Activities

During April, 2003, the Delaware Thoroughbred Racing Commission along with the Harness Commission hosted the Eastern States Racing Commissioners and Executive Directors meeting in Dover, Delaware.

There were delegates visiting Delaware from New Hampshire, New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, Ontario Canada, New York and the USTA in Ohio.



The Delaware Thoroughbred Commission congratulates Dr. John Peters for receiving Delaware Veterinarian of the Year Award for Outstanding Achievements in the field of Veterinary Medicine.



The Commission also congratulates John F. Wayne the 2003 recipient of The Len Foote Award for Outstanding Achievements and Contributions to the Racing Industry.

